

News from

Councilmember Todd Gloria

City of San Diego • District Three

Friends.

Thank you to the dozens of people who attended Saturday's community coffee! I also extend special thanks to Lestat's Coffee House for again hosting us in their expanded space. In our 90 minutes together, we covered issues including helicopter noise, joint-use parks, street maintenance, redevelopment, revenue options, and many more. I am following up on several of your requests and look forward to further strengthening our neighborhoods with your partnership. If you missed my time in Normal Heights on Saturday, I hope you'll join me for my next coffee in South Park on August 14.

Of course, you will also find me at events throughout the next week in celebration of LGBT Pride. Whether you enjoy the parade, the festival, or any of the commemorative events, please take the time to say hi and share with me your questions and comments.

In addition to highlighting more opportunities for your involvement, I want to highlight some good news that you may find of interest.

Moving Forward with the Most Needed Civic Project in Downtown San Diego

Some say the most needed project in San Diego is a new main library, a new city hall, a Chargers stadium or a bigger convention center. I disagree. The most needed civic project is a permanent homeless services and housing center, and the Land Use and Housing Committee will consider making considerable progress toward this necessity tomorrow. The proposal for the homeless services facility in the World Trade Center building was developed by several partnering organizations who recognized the value in combining healthcare, mental health services, substance abuse care, job training and housing to successfully move San Diegans from the streets to more productive paths.

Please provide your input and join us to make sure some of our most needy neighbors receive the help they need while conserving limited taxpayer dollars.

Consideration of a One-Stop Homeless Services Center Land Use and Housing Committee Wednesday, July 14 2:00 p.m. City Administration Building 202 C Street, 12th Floor

Successful Safety Sweep by SDPD

In June, the stretch of El Cajon Blvd. between Florida St. and 35th St. was the site of 32 arrests for either prostitution or solicitation of prostitution. The majority of the people involved were first time offenders. The Vice Unit continues to monitor this stretch and other problematic areas so all potential perpetrators know that we won't tolerate crime of any kind in District Three. If you witness or suspect prostitution activities, you may call the police at 619-531-2000 or Crime Stoppers at 888-580-8477.

Smart Meters Arriving in District Three

Last month, the first of SDG&E's Smart Meters were installed in District Three. The Smart Meters will allow for easier electric interval data reads and remote connection/disconnection integration. The Smart Meters should improve customer service by providing on-demand meter reads and flexible services. They are also meant to enhance reliability and outage detection, as well as improve power restoration in times of blackouts. Installation will continue throughout San Diego through the beginning of 2011. Within two weeks of smart meters being installed, SDG&E representatives will contact you to answer any questions you may have.

North Park: June-July 2010

Mission Hills/Hillcrest: July-August 2010 Golden Hill: July-September 2010

Normal Heights: July-September 2010

City Heights: December 2010-February 2011

For communities not listed or for more information, please visit www.sdge.com/smartmeter.

Upcoming Events

LGBT Historical Exhibit at City Hall Opens for Pride Month

Today, July 13 12:15 p.m. City Administration Building Lobby 202 C Street

Please join me today for the official opening and ribbon-cutting of the inaugural display, "A Celebration of San Diego LGBT History." Presented by Lambda Archives of San Diego and the Harvey Milk Diversity Breakfast, the exhibit will run from July 12 through July 23 and will feature approximately 1,100 square feet of historical LGBT community treasures.

Prior to the ribbon-cutting, my colleagues and I are opening our City Council meeting by proclaiming July 2010 to be "LGBT Pride Month" in the City of San Diego at 10:00 a.m. on the 12th floor.

Community Meeting on Revenue Options and Economic Competitiveness

Thursday, July 15 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. City Heights Weingart Branch Library 3795 Fairmount Ave.

I encourage you to attend this critical meeting that was organized by our Citizens' Revenue Review and Economic Competiveness Commission (CRRECC). The ongoing dialogue between San Diegans and City leaders is crucial in shaping our decisions. Input from the Residents' Opinions on City Services Survey and the budget forums throughout the last year created a very clear set of priorities, reinforcing my marching orders to strengthen public safety and improve infrastructure. You now have the opportunity to learn more about potential revenue options to restore and strengthen City services and provide your input on how we can better attract and retain business.

Coffee with your Councilmember

Saturday, August 14 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Grant's Marketplace 2953 Beech St.

Please join me for my next community coffee to discuss any issues of concern.

As always, I love hearing from you. In addition to the events listed here and on my website, I am available by phone (619-236-6633), email (<u>ToddGloria@sandiego.gov</u>), and on Facebook and Twitter.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Todd

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